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GENEVA FOR PHELAN

1. AS NOTED REPAIR DURING OCTOBER SUB-GROUP MEETING USG
AND GOB AGREED ON JANUARY OR FEBRUARY AS POSSIBLE TIME

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FRAME FOR NEXT MEETING. IF POSSIBLE, WE WOULD LIKE TO TAKE

ADVANTAGE OF MINISTER ROUANET'S PRESENCE BY CONVENING THE SUB-GROUP IN WASHINGTON PRIOR TO US/BRAZIL BILATERAL TEXTILE NEGOTIATIONS, TENTATIVELY SET TO BEGIN ON MARCH 9. IN VIEW OF CARNIVAL HOLIDAYS IN BRAZIL EARLY MARCH, HOWEVER, WE ARE RELUCTANT TO SUGGEST MARCH 4-5 FOR MEETING OF SUB-GROUP.

2. THOUGHT ARISES AS TO WHETHER GOB MIGHT BE WILLING TO HAVE SUB-GROUP MEET MARCH 11-12, WITH TEXTILE BILATERALS FOLLOWING IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER, I.E., WEEK OF MARCH 15. SUCH A SCHEDULE WOULD PERMIT DISCUSSIONS OF BROAD TRADE TOPICS TO PRECEDE (AND POSSIBLY CONTRIBUTE TO) TEXTILE TALKS.

3. REQUEST EMBASSY EXPLORE THIS SUGGESTION WITH ROUANET, OTHER GOB OFFICIALS AS APPROPRIATE AND REPORT SOONEST. IN VIEW OF URGENCY OF TEXTILE TALKS, HOWEVER, EMBASSY SHOULD ENSURE THAT IF TIMETABLE SUGGESTED PARA 2 ABOVE IS NOT FEASIBLE, MARCH 9 DATE FOR TEXTILE TALKS REMAINS INTACT WITH SUB-GROUP MEETING TO BE SCHEDULED AT LATER DATE. KISSINGER

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